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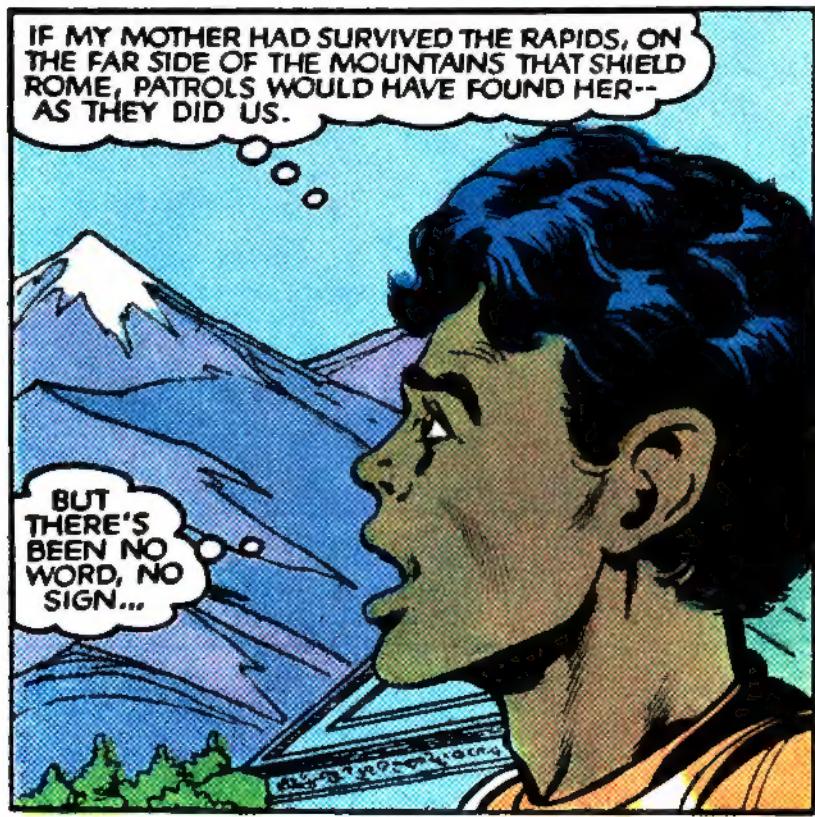
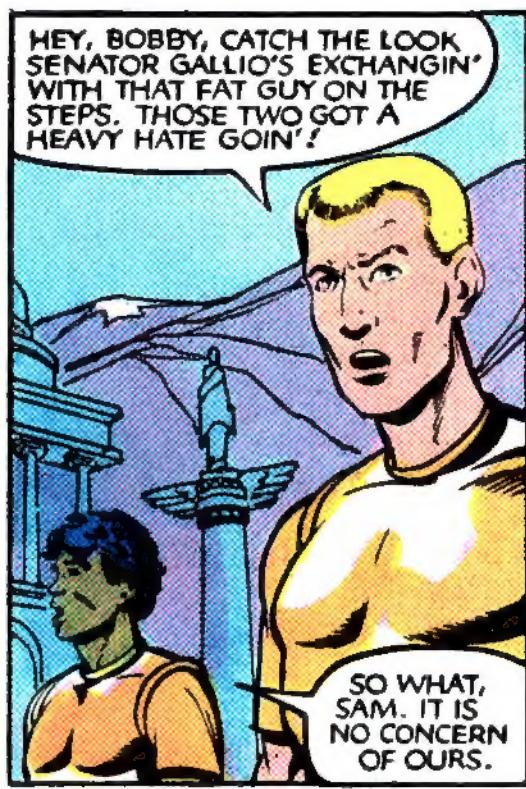
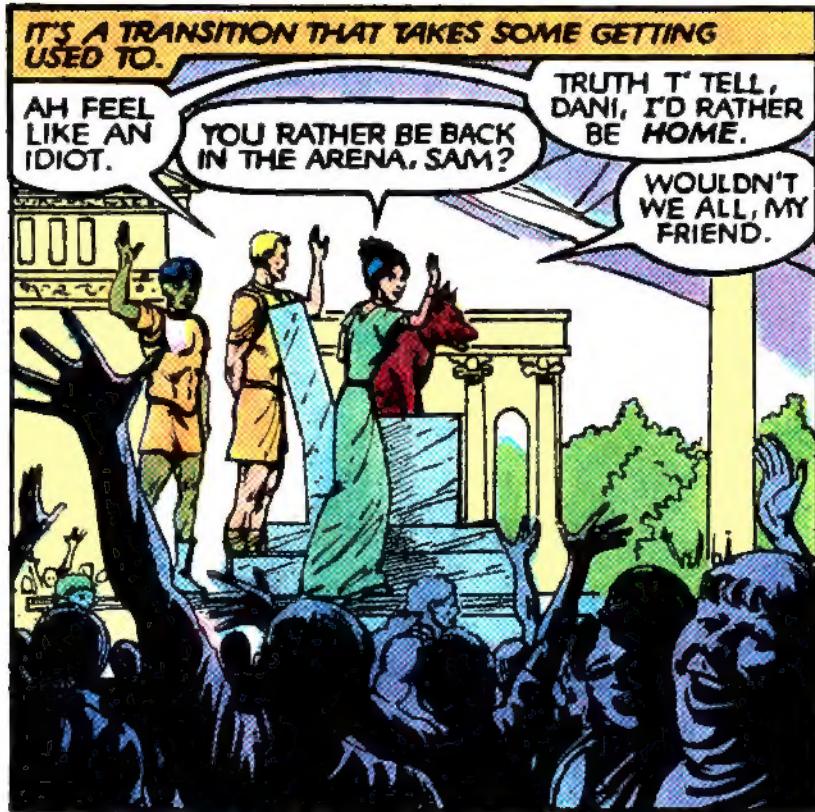
FOR AS FAR AS THE EYE CAN SEE, THE STREETS ARE FULL OF PEOPLE-- THE AIR RESOUNDING WITH THEIR CHEERS-- AS THE TRIUMPHAL PROCESSION MAKES ITS WAY ACROSS THE SENATORIAL PLAZA OF THE CITY OF NOVA ROMA-- NEW ROME!

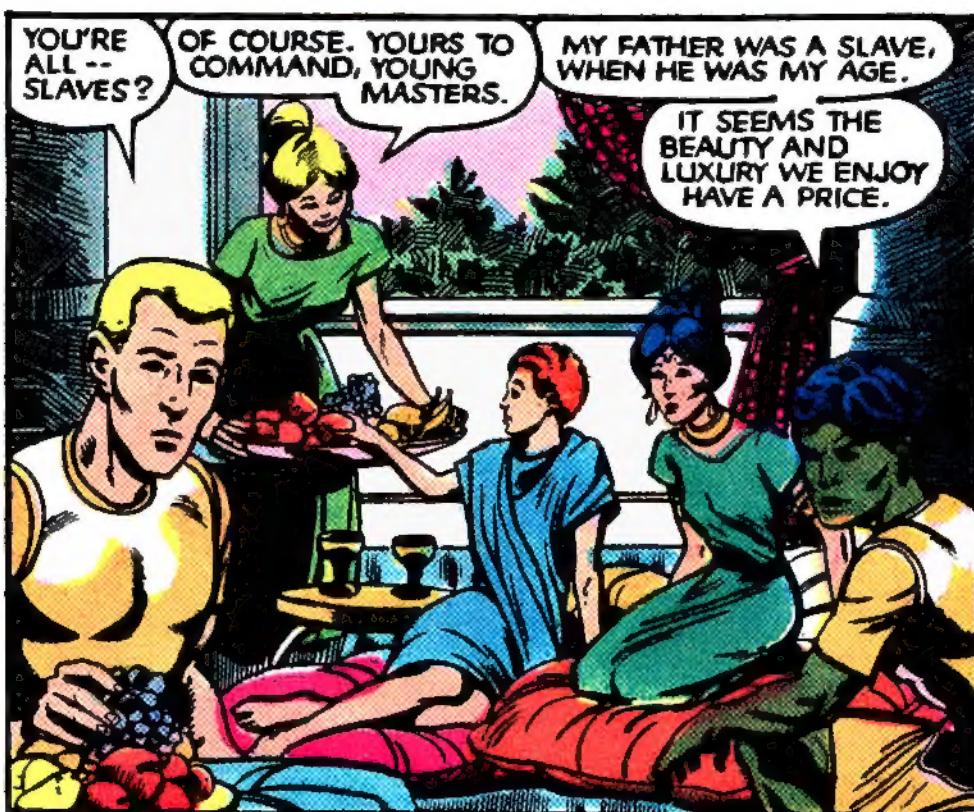
THE CAUSE OF THIS
REJOICING? A
13-YEAR-OLD SCOTS
WEREWOLF...

...ACCLAIMED, MUCH
TO HER SURPRISE, AS
THE LINEAL DESCENDANT
BOTH OF JULIUS CAESAR
(BECAUSE OF HIS RED
HAIR) AND THE SACRED
SHE-WOLF WHO SUCKLED
ROMULUS AND REMUS,
LEGENDARY FOUNDERS
OF ANCIENT ROME.



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THE FEAST TASTES AS GOOD AS IT LOOKS, AND THERE'S VERY LITTLE LEFT BY THE TIME ITS OVER.

YOU'VE BEEN
VERY KIND TO
US, SENATOR.

NO LESS THAN YOU
DESERVE, CHILD.

REALLY, SIR? AH SPOTTED ONE GENTLE-
MAN WHO DIDN'T SEEM ANY TOO
HAPPY WHEN WE RODE BY.

I CAN GUESS WHO-- BUT YOU NEED NOT
CONCERN YOURSELVES WITH MY ESTEEMED
COLLEAGUE, SENATOR AQUILLA.
I'LL DEAL WITH HIM.

AMARA'S DAD! AH THOUGHT
AH NOTICED A RESEMBLANCE!

YOU TWO DON'T
GET ALONG?

HARDLY.

I AM OF THE PATRICIAN CLASS, LAD--
THE NOBILITY-- BORN AND BRED TO
UPHOLD THE IDEALS AND TRADITIONS
THAT HAVE MADE ROME GREAT...

... CARETAKERS OF
THE ETERNAL DREAM
SHE REPRESENTS,
GUARDIANS OF HER
IMMORTAL SOUL.

AQUILLA IS PLEBIAN. NOW, MANY
SENATORS ARE COMMONERS,
SOME EVEN DESCENDED FROM
SLAVES-- AND THEY SERVE AS
HONORABLY AS ANY PATRICIAN.

NOT SO,
LUCIUS
ANTONIUS.

HE RESPECTS NO LAW BUT HIS OWN AND DESIRES
NOTHING BUT POWER. TO ACHIEVE IT, HE WILL
PAY ANY PRICE, MAKE ANY SACRIFICE.

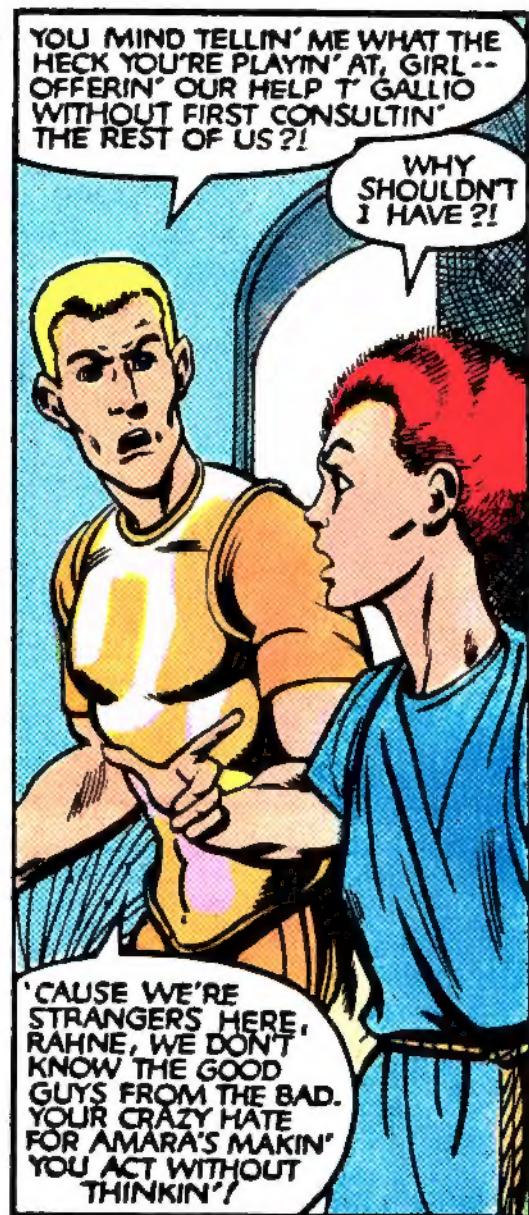
IT IS RUMORED THAT
HIS ULTIMATE GOAL
IS TO NAME HIM-
SELF EMPEROR.

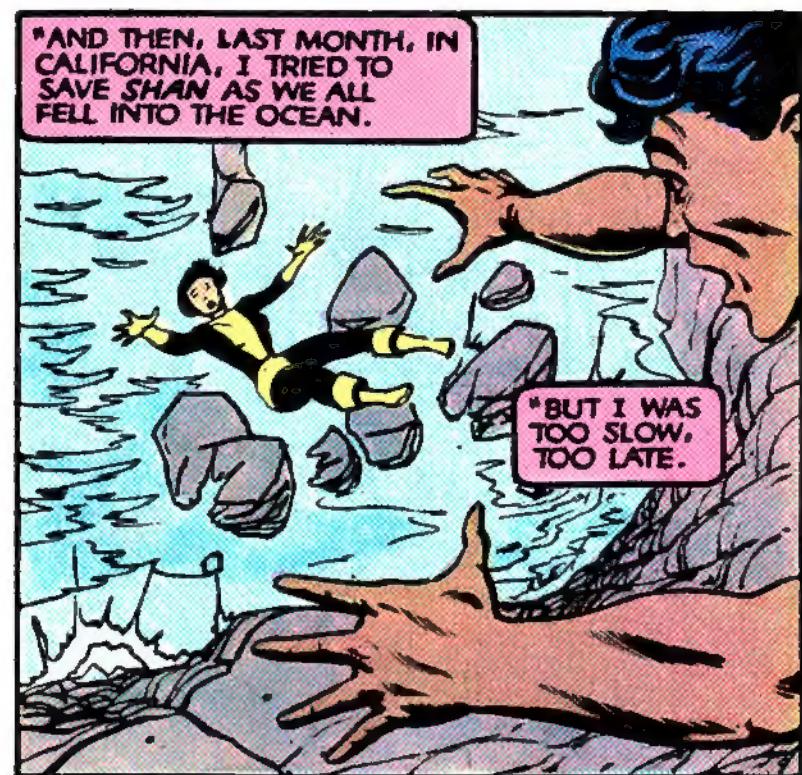
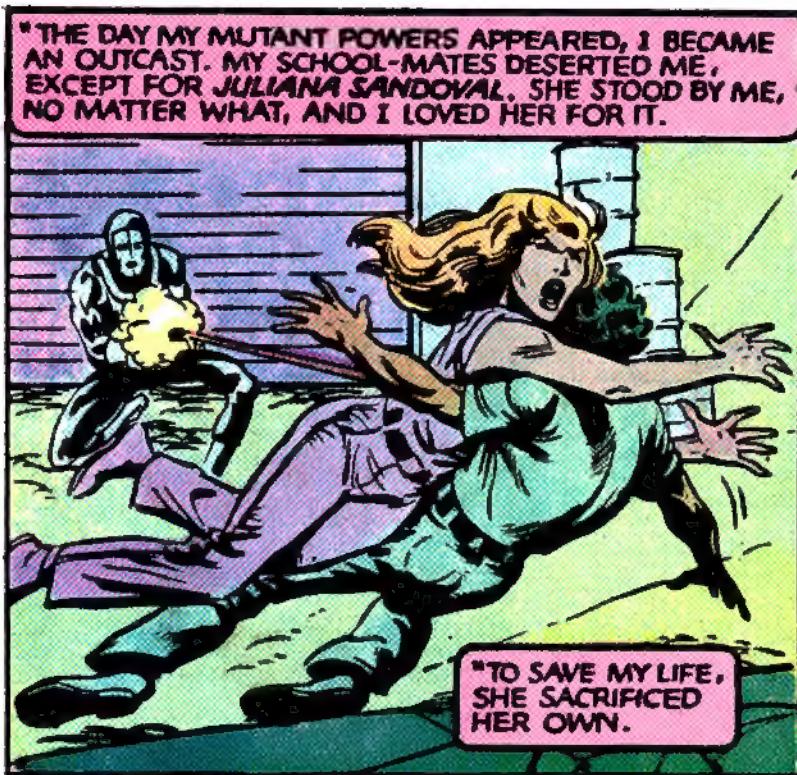
THE MAN TALKS REAL SLICK-- REMINDS ME O'
THE COMP'NY REP READIN' MANAGEMENT'S
OFFER T' DADDY AN' TH' OTHER MINERS AT
CONTRACT TIME. EVERYTHING SOUNDED GREAT--
'TIL YOU TOOK A CLOSE LOOK AT IT.

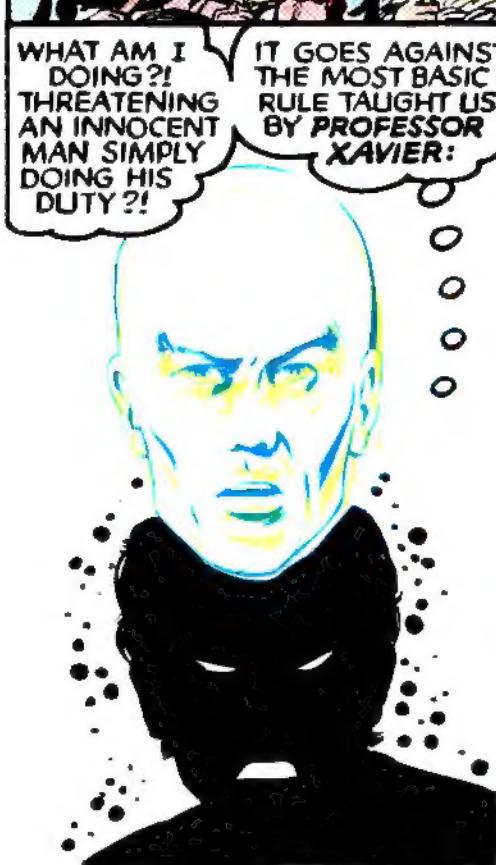
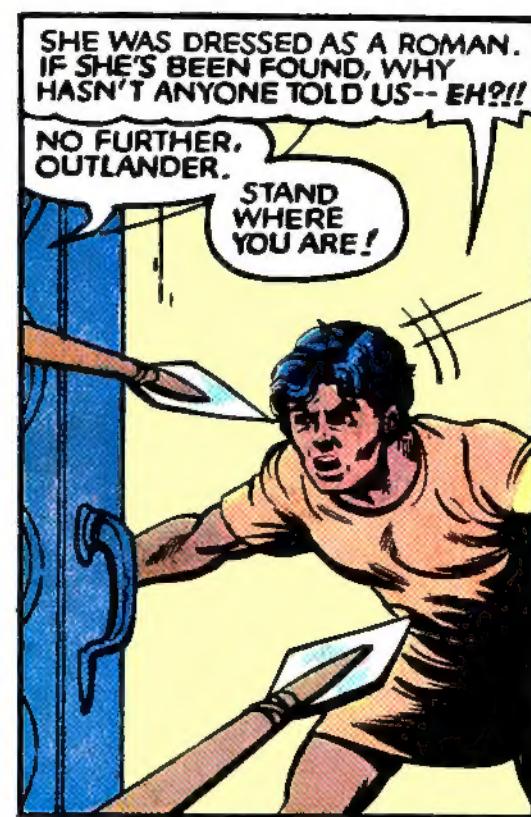
HE'S ALSO TREATIN' US
LIKE KIDS. DANI'S PLAYIN'
ALONG-- ACTIN' REAL
P'LITE AND RESPECTFUL--
AH'LL FOLLOW
HER LEAD.

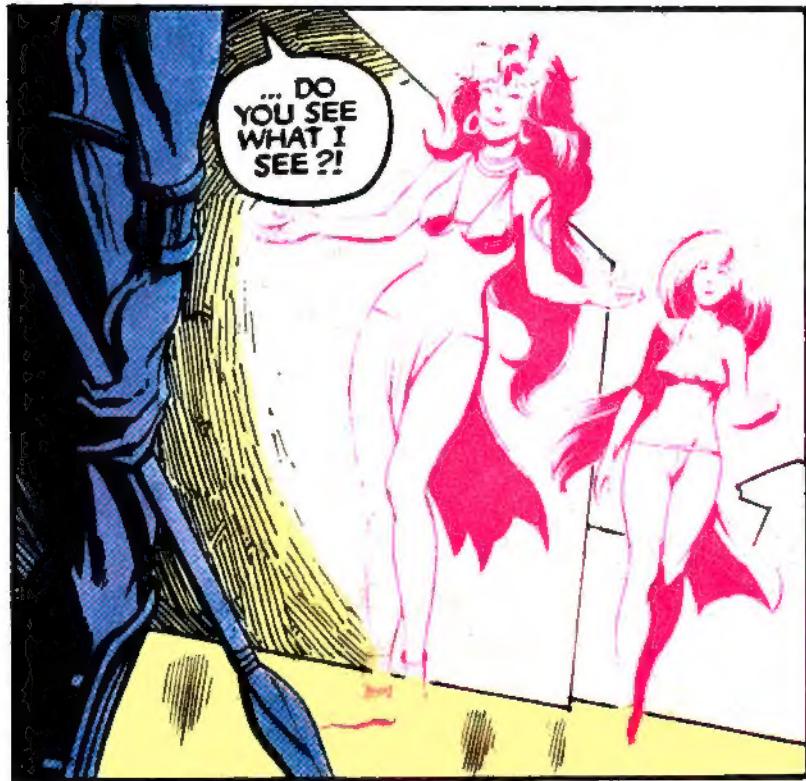
GOSH, SIR-- THAT
AIN'T WHAT AMARA
TOLD US. SHE SAID
HER FATHER LED THE
REPUBLICAN PARTY.

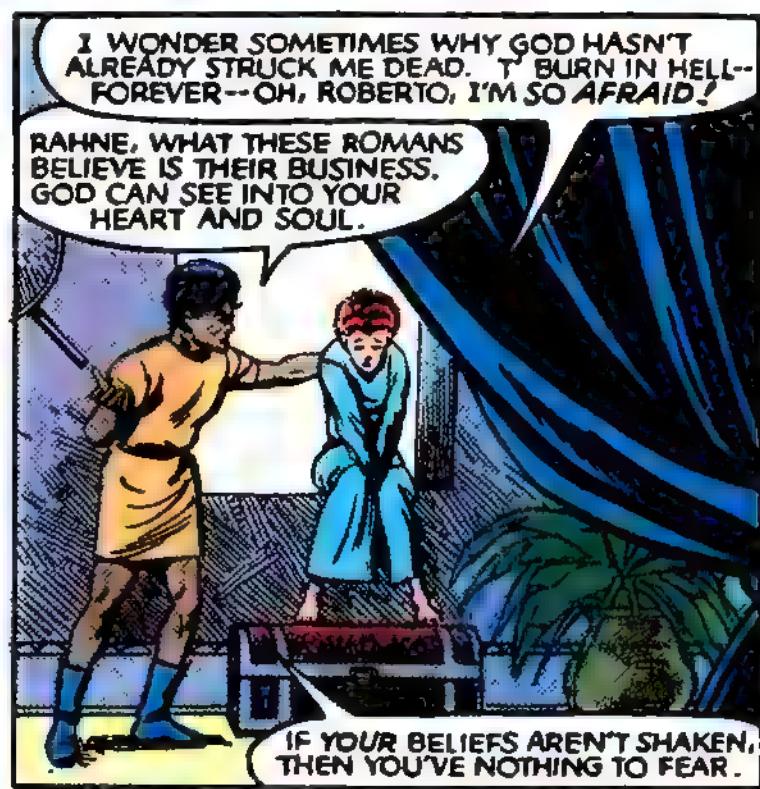
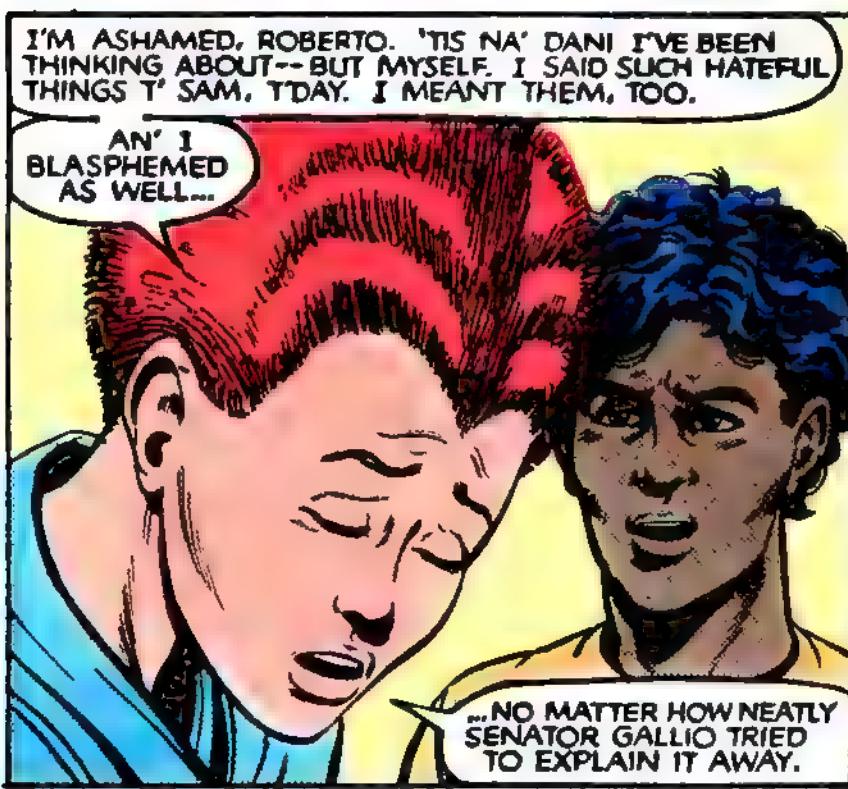


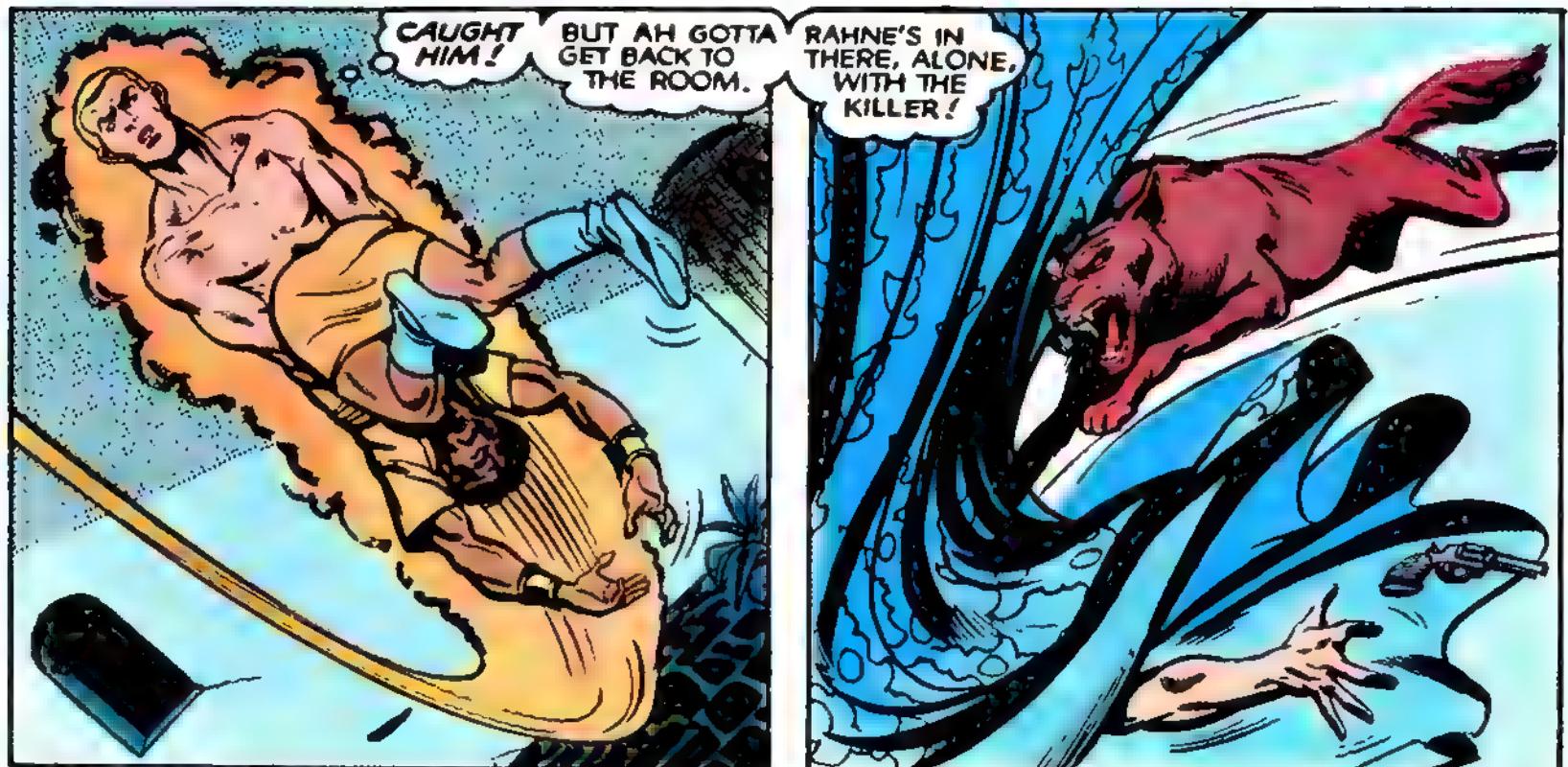
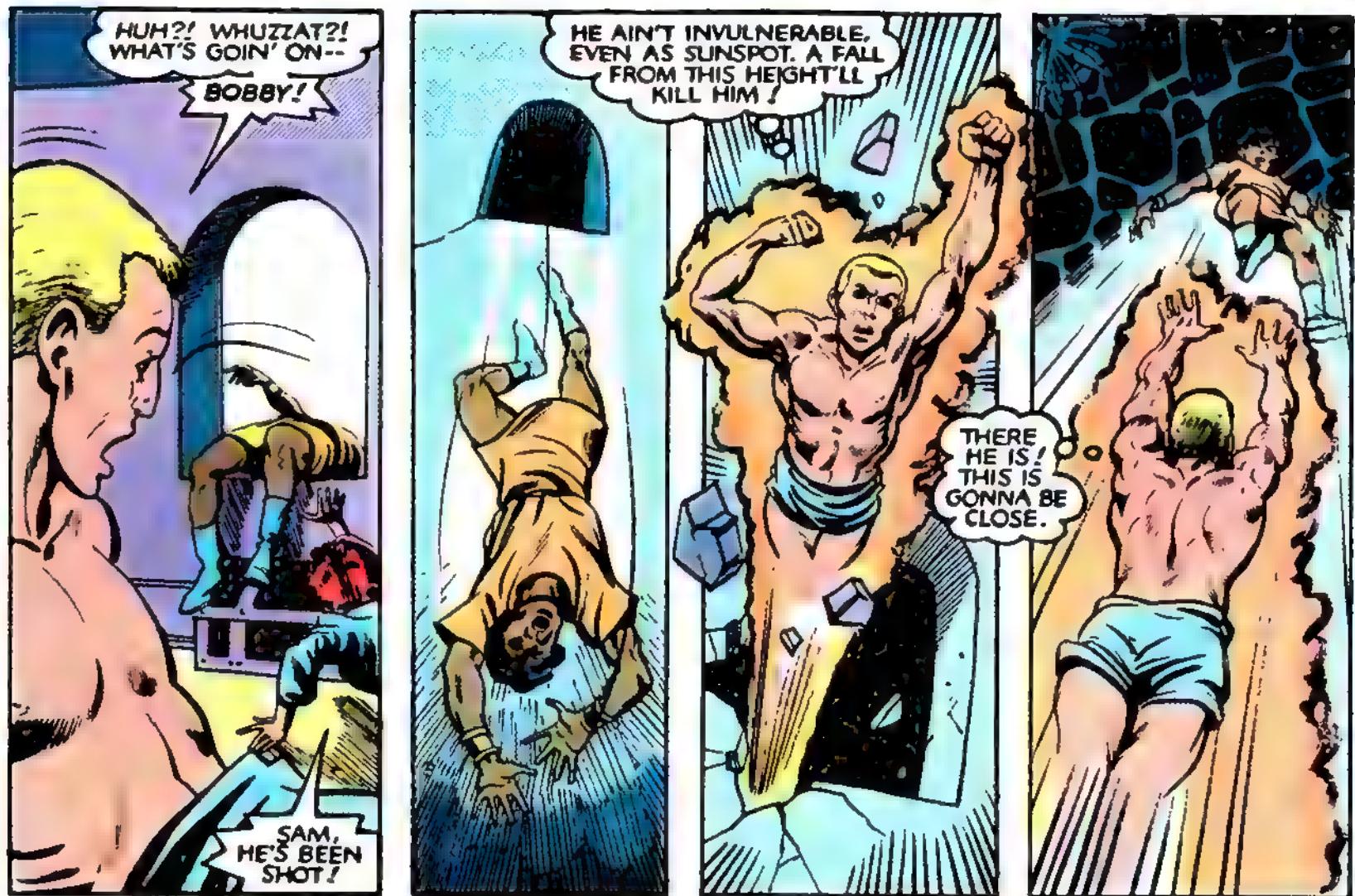




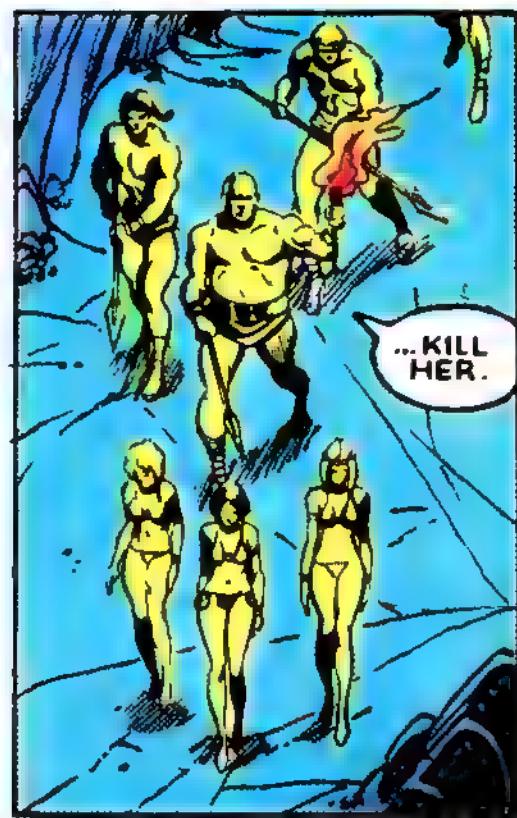


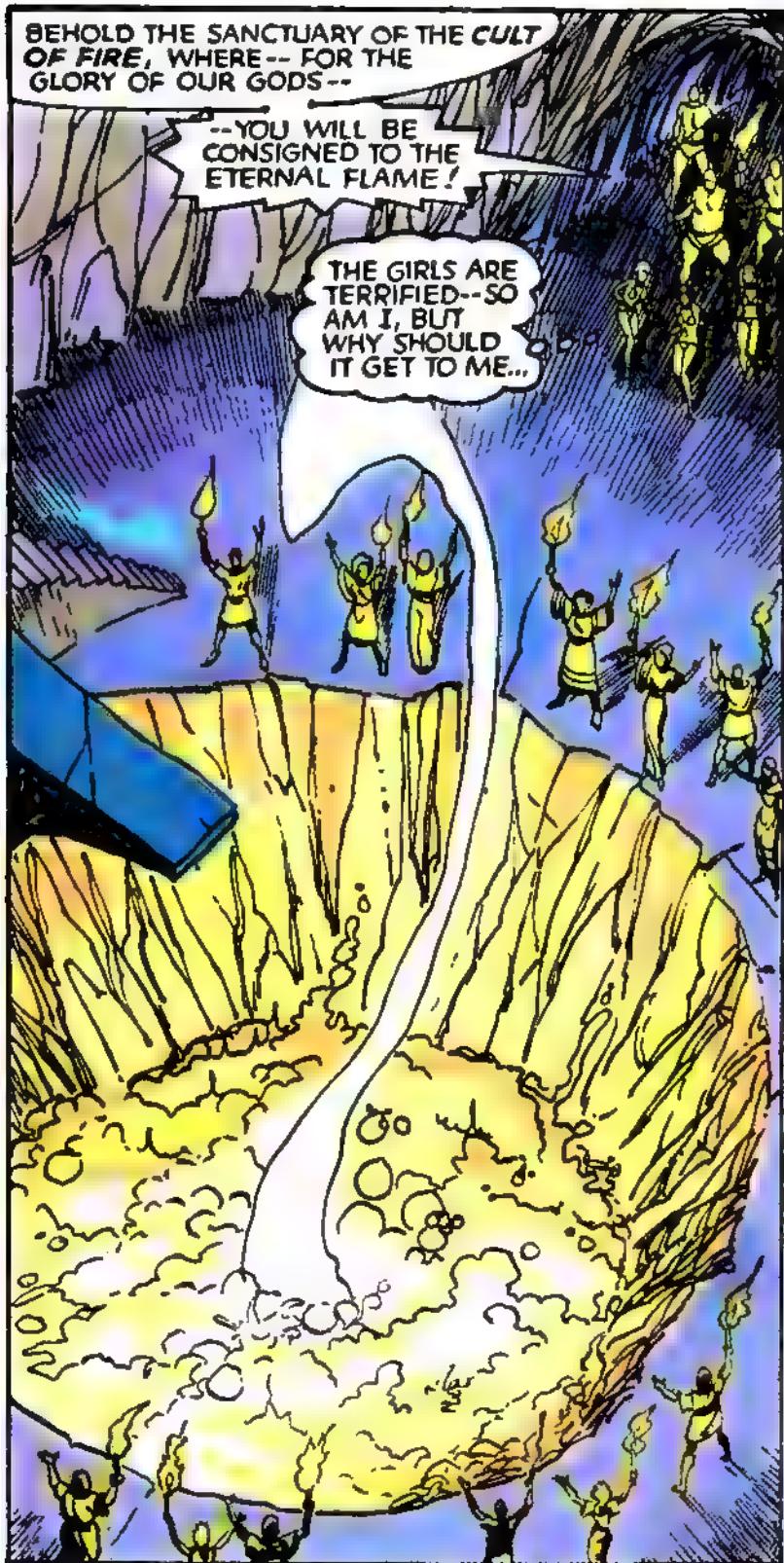








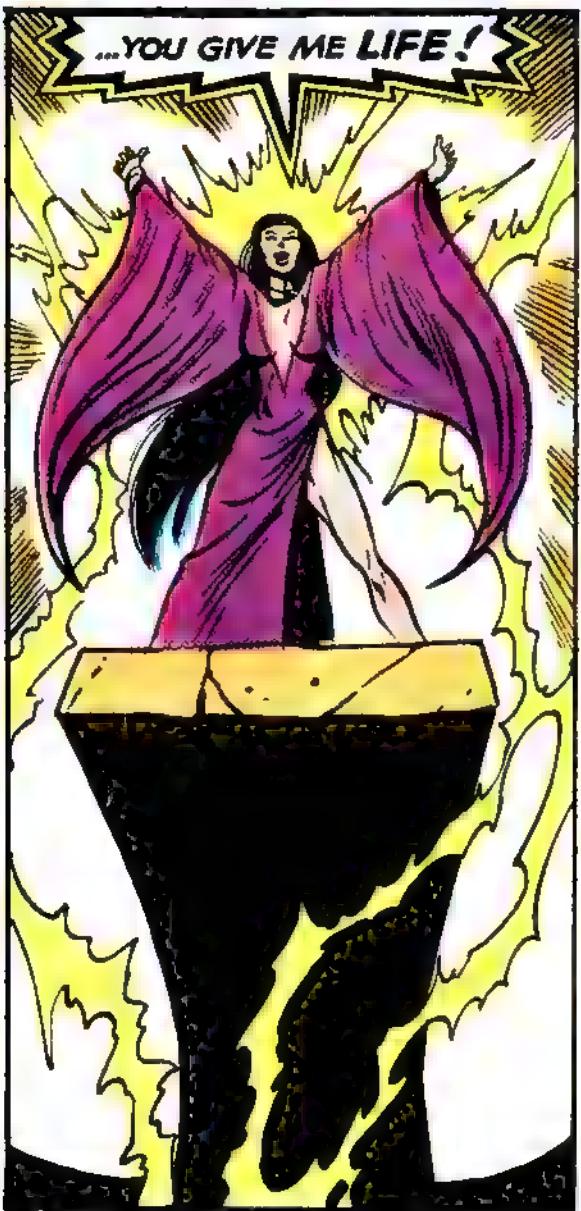




"IT'S SELENE! SHE KNOWS WHAT I CAN DO AND SHE'S USING HER OWN PSIONIC ABILITIES TO BLOCK MINE!"



...YOU GIVE ME LIFE!



I AM, AFTER ALL, A GODDESS, WHO HAS WALKED THE EARTH SINCE BEFORE THE DAWN OF HISTORY.

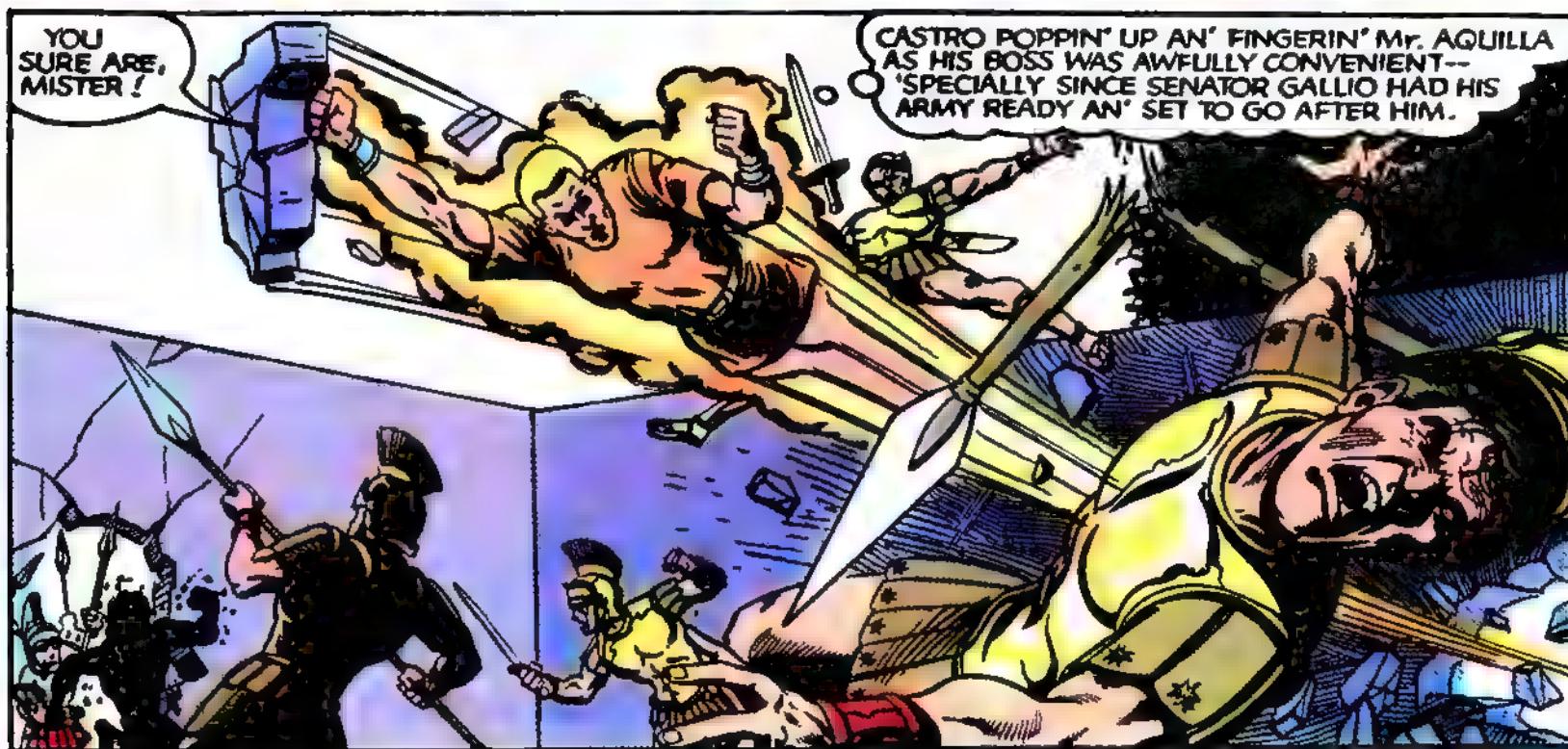
COUNTLESS THOUSANDS HAVE GONE TO THE FIRE IN MY NAME.

WHICH OF YOU TWO...

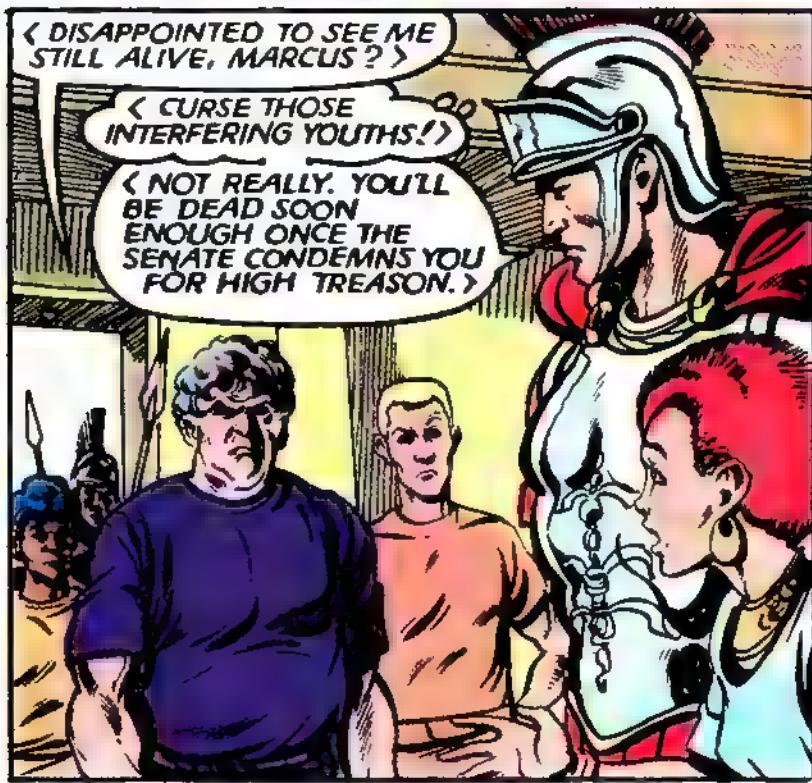


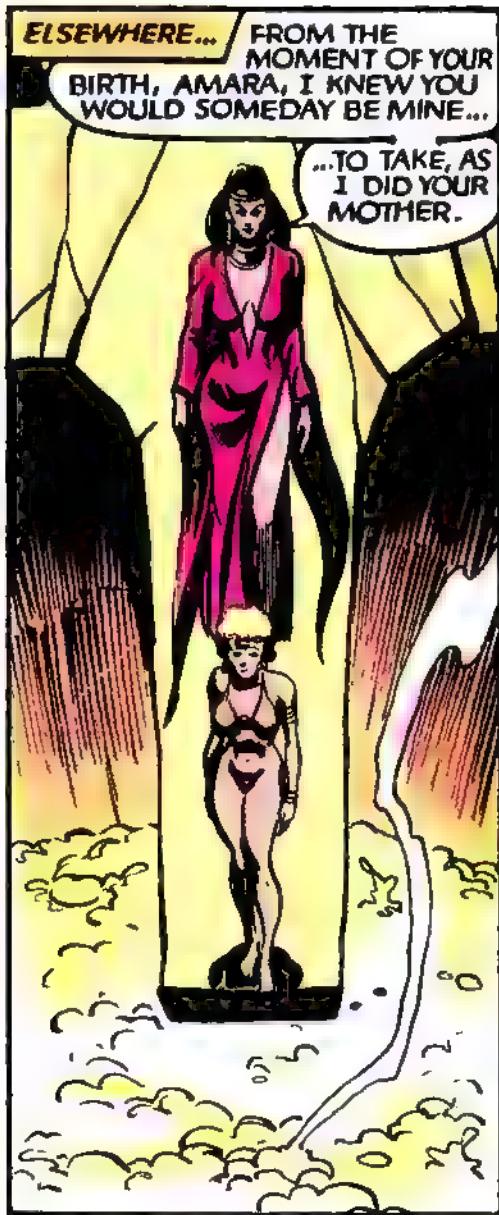
...WILL BE THE NEXT?

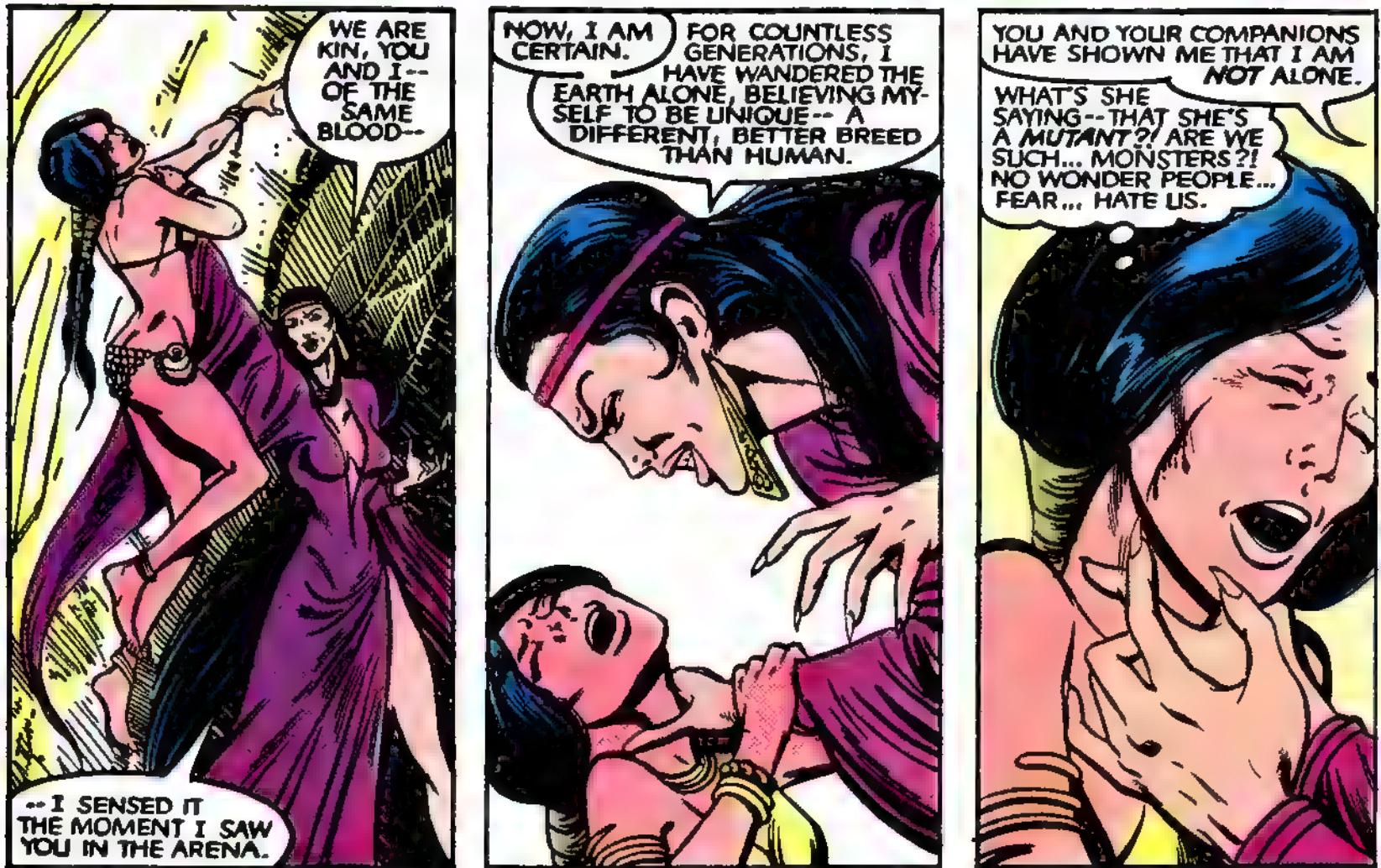


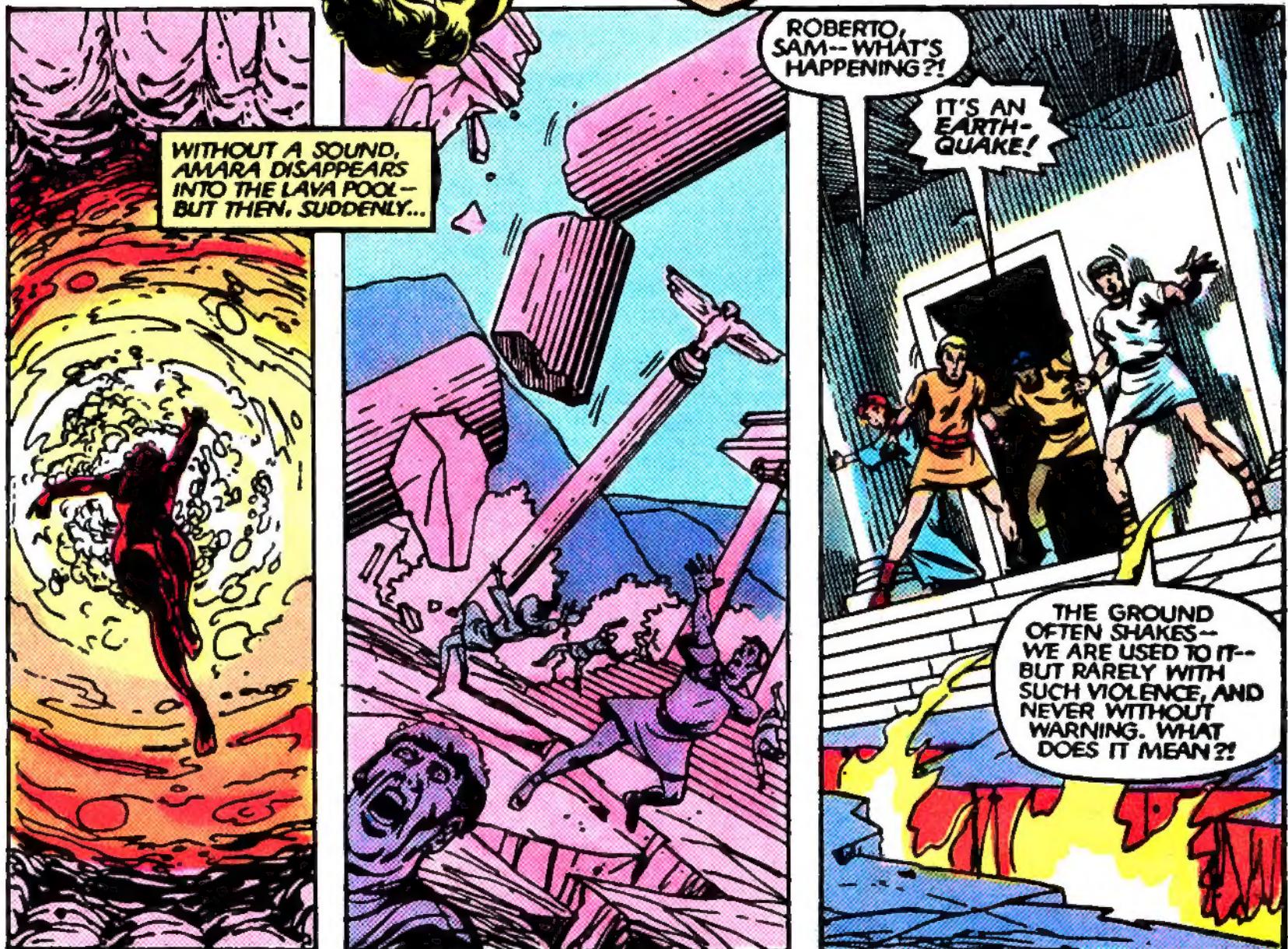












Bulpen Bulletins

HERE'S THE SITUATION...

I, Editor in Chief and Supreme High Kahuna of Marvel Comics, will be leaving very soon on a month-long trip around the country to attend several of the biggest Comics Conventions of the year. Every single one of the Editors here at Marvel will be going with me. That means no one will be here at the House of Ideas guarding the fort — except the Assistant Editors!

They will be in complete charge of one entire month's worth of Marvel Comics. For that month, they will be the absolute masters of the Marvel Universe.

And they're up to something! Something... strange.

This is no gag. No joke. Really, honestly, I thought it would be good for our assistant editors to have a real chance on the firing line — to have a shot at wielding the enormous responsibility and power of being editors-for-a-month under actual combat conditions — so I arranged it. Somewhat to my amazement, they're taking it very seriously! They see this as their opportunity not to merely caretake the comics for a month, but to do the stories they've always wanted to do! To oversee a month's worth of the wildest, most spectacular, most unforgettable and possibly weirdest Marvel Comics ever published! To prove themselves by knocking the world on its ear with every single issue coming out that month!

What month? Next month. All Marvel Comics which bear a January cover date, which will be on sale next month, in September, are the ones to watch for.

The Assistant Editors have been very secretive about what they have planned, so I can't tell you anything about next month's stories — I honestly don't know what they've got cooking. I firmly believe that these issues are going to be one-of-a-kind collector's items, though, and if I were you, I wouldn't miss any of next month's issues. I don't

say that lightly, by the way. If you read this column regularly, you know that I don't hard-sell anything, and rarely even give a plug. I leave the hype for the Hype Box. This is an unusual circumstance, though, I think. Assistant Editors Month has really grown from an innocent little educational exercise into an event!

Okay, enough about that. You've been advised — or warned, depending upon how you look at it.

By the way, Editor Mark Gruenwald's assistant

Mike Carlin asked me to run the ad which appears below. So there it is!

Stay well.

Mark Gruenwald

P.S. Being that I'll be away for a month, the next Bulpen Page will be written by my assistant-and-secretary, Lynn Cohen! I'll be back writing this, the most-widely-read page in comics the following month! See you!



THE HYPE BOX

MAGIK (Storm and Ilyana Limited Series) #1 — Attention X-MEN lovers! This is the one you've been waiting for! The most bizarre Limited Series you'll ever read, as Storm, Kitty Pryde, Nightcrawler, and Colossus' sister, Ilyana Rasputin, are trapped in the demon-lord Belasco's dark dimension! It's written by CHRIS CLAREMONT, with art by JOHN BUSCEMA and TOM PALMER. We predict it's gonna be the most talked about Limited Series since Wolverine's! How can you resist?

KA-ZAR #29 — Could there be a better place to hold a wedding than the beautiful and exotic land of Pangea? Well, yes. Virtually anywhere, if you don't want to be interrupted by the hell-spawn Belasco! (He does get around, doesn't he?) Are those wedding bells we hear tolling for Ka-Zar and Shanna, or funeral bells? A special double-seized spectacular brought to you by MIKE CARLIN, RON FRENZ, and ARMANDO GIL. And, for one issue only, it's available at newsstands as well as comics specialty shops, so there's no excuse for missing this one!

X-MEN #176 — You got a small taste of his work last issue, but here's the real thing: the eagerly anticipated pencils of the X-MEN's newest artist, JOHN ROMITA JR! That's right, Marvel's hottest young talent tackles Marvel's favorite team book. Along with writer CHRIS CLAREMONT and inker BOB WIACEK, he brings you an incredible story of giant squids and a honeymoon in outer space. Destined to be a milestone!

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AND IN SELENE'S CAVE...

BEHOLD
YOUR FOLLY,
DEMON,
AND YOUR
DOOM!

THE CHILD YOU
THOUGHT SLAIN
HAS BEEN REBORN...
MADE ONE WITH THE
MOLTEN HEART OF
THE EARTH ITSELF...
AND IN THE NAME OF
YOUR COUNTLESS
VICTIMS...

...SHE WILL HAVE
VENGEANCE!

NEXT:

MAGMA!



